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PRESS TO EDITORA RIO GRANDE, S.A. DE C.V.

REF: STATE 295209

EDITORIA RIO GRANDE, SA. DE C.V. HAS RECENTLY BEEN ESTABLISHED BY A GROUP OF LOCAL CITIZENS, ALL FROM PIEDRAS NEGRAS, COAHUILA. THEY HAVE DECIDED TO INVEST THEIR MONEY IN A NEW VENTURE, THE EDITING OF A NEWSPAPER WHICH WILL BE CALLED "LA OPINION", SIMILAR IN TITLE TO NEWS

- PAPERS PUBLISHED IN TORREON AND MONCLOVA. ALTHOUGH THE THREE NEWSPAPERS WILL ENJOY A CERTAIN DEGREE OF COOPERATION, THE STOCKHOLDERS OF EACH ARE TOTALLY DIFFERENT. EDITORA RIO GRANDE'S MAJOR STOCKHOLDERS ARE THREE COAHUILA CATTLEMEN - ALFONSO AISLIE JIMENEZ, HEBERTO H. GONZALEZ CHAVARRIA, AND SERGIO DE LA GARZA. ALFONZO AISLIE JIMENEZ HAD BEEN, UNTIL VERY RECENTLY, DIRECTOR COAHUILA STATE TAX COLLECTORS

, POSITION HE HELD FOR LAST TWELVE YEARS. ANOTHER STOCKHOLDER, HOMERO NINO PORTALES, IS OWNER OF A HOTEL (MOTEL 57) AND TWO RESTAURANTS (RESTAURANT 57 AND EL GITANO) - ALL THREE SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSES IN PIEDRAS NEGRAS. DAVID PIMENTEL, ANOTHER STOCKHOLDER, IS EMPLOYED AS MANAGER OF A HOTEL IN EAGLE PASS, TEXAS. THE EMBASSY AND CONGEN MONTERREY HAVE NO OBJECTION TO FCIA INSURANCE FOR SUBJECT SALE.

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